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NSSO REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to National Sample Survey Organisation, there has been reduction in creation of employment opportunities during the years 2004 to 2006 despite the increase in the rate of economic development/growth;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has proposed to bring change in Economic Policy to create more employment opportunities in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) to (e): As per the most recent quinquennial surveys of National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) on employment and unemployment, the growth in employment increased from 1.25 per cent per annum during the period 1993-94 to 1999-2000 (Period I), to 2.62 per cent during the period 1999-2000 to 2004-05 (Period II). The growth rate in Gross Domestic Product during Period I was 6.5 per cent per annum and in Period II it was 6.0 per cent per annum.

The Eleventh Plan Document, approved by NDC, projects that about 58 million employment opportunities are likely to be generated during the Eleventh Plan period. It also states that additional employment opportunities in the future will be generated mainly in the services and manufacturing sectors, in particular, labour intensive manufacturing sectors such as food processing, leather products, footwear, and textiles, and service sectors such as tourism and construction.